

Taylor & Rogers I suspect are Refugees is the Reason I rather preferred Ramsey & Coxe I think Ramsey & Coxe may become useful Correspondents.—

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*Thomas Blount to John Gray Blount*

27th Nov. 1783

Dear Sir,

Mr. Kelly will not take Lucy & her Children on any terms in consequence of which I send down Jake, Jerry & Miles to you—Col<sup>o</sup>. Hart who hired Belinda has not yet sent her to me—I suppose she may be hired by description I have so much occasion for a boy that unless Jake goes very extravagantly high I must have him another year—his being already very well cloathed at my expence will be some Advantage to me Mr. Goodwin will give £4 for Miles & wants him much if he don't hire for more there you may venture to send him up with Jake again—the river rises I think you may send off the boat immediately if you [have] any Salt for me—Cotton Cards are in great demand No Tobacco comes down—& nothing capital can be done in the Pork way I believe at less than 26/8 in Silver or gold payable in June. I am this [2] day going to a Vendue where I shall offer it for a large quantity of good Pork together—Mr Kelley is nearly well & I believe may be had to go to Kentucky—I am much alarmed at the difference I have discovered by strictly comparing a number of Bills which I have rec<sup>d</sup>. & such as I see daily circulating without being suspected, with a Sheet rec<sup>d</sup>. of Cap<sup>t</sup>. Colman immediately after he had [it?] from the Commissioners—incom[parison with] [?] that I have half a mind to refuse it altogether in future tho' I think it seems to gain Credit among the farmers—I recommend to you to examine what you have accurately & let me know your opinion of it. I suppose you have a good Sheet with which you can compare it—Pray write Mr Barr by Post to send me 8 or 10<sup>wt</sup> at least of good Cut Tobacco for smoaking by the Richard All here are well, How dye you?

Yours

THO. BLOUNT